



## Recommendation for Action

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**File #:** 21-1186, **Agenda Item #:** 52.

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Huber Technology Inc., for grit washing equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$261,544.

(Note: Sole source contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

### **Lead Department**

Purchasing Office.

### **Client Department(s)**

Austin Water.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Sole Source.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

February 3, 2021 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 9-0 vote, with Commissioner Williams off the dais.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

The contract will provide grit washing equipment to replace the existing exhausted equipment at the Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant grit washing equipment is a vital part of the wastewater treatment process. The equipment separates the inorganic grit and mineral particles. The removed inorganics are then discharged into roll off containers for landfill disposal. The existing grit washing equipment has met its useful life expectancy and is being replaced to prevent any additional failures in the treatment process.

The contractor's equipment is a patented product with several unique design features that delivers the best performance. This performance includes the highest grit capture efficiency, lowest organic content and the lowest water content. The equipment has a proprietary perforated plate design to create a true fluidized grit

bed and clog free washing system.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Health and Environment; Safety.